exported to your State unless the Sugar Control Order is brought into force in your State." Afterwards we put the sugar control here and informed the Sugar Controller of India "we have brought the sugar control in force in our State just on the lines of the one in force in British India. Please therefore allow our merchants to purchase sugar". Afterwards the quota came. This was all done in successive stages.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar *(Nellayi):* There was plenty of sugar before the price-control order was sent. As soon as this was seen in the Gazette there was scarcity. Did the Government enquire about it ?

Mr. M. M. Paul *(Commissioner of Civil Supplies):* That fact is not accepted.

STANDARD PARAH—TRAVANCORE AND MATTANCHERI

183. Mr. C. V. Iyyu *(Kunnamkulam):* Will Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) whether the Civil Supplies Commissioner made a statement in the Council that the Travancore Standard Parah is lesser than our Mattancheri Parah in size ;

(*b*) if so, whether the Civil Supplies Commissioner had compared the Mattancheri Parah with the Parur Parah before he gave such an opinion ?

Mr. M. M. Paul *(Commissioner of Civil Supplies):*

(*a*) No.

(*b*) Does not arise.

Mr. C. V. Iyyu *(Kunnamkulam):* I do not know, whether the Civil Supplies Commissioner made a formal statement. But when some question was put on a certain point of information the then Commissioner of Civil Supplies spoke during the Vrischigam session of the Legislative Council that there was some difference of size in the Travancore Parah as used in Edappalli and North Parur with that of the Mattancheri Para. If there is no such information and if the Government have not made any enquiry will the Government be pleased to find out whether it is correct ?

Mr. A. Madhava Prabhu *(Diwan Peishkar):* So far as the statement which I made on the floor of this House is concerned, I have not known a para called Mattancheri Para. I have not made any statement about Mattancheri para here. We have got the Cochin Mudra para and there is the Travancore standard para. These were compared and it was found that the Trevancore standard para was bigger than the Cochin Mudra para. I do not know of the Parur para or of the Edappalli para. I have not made any comparison between those paras. The Hon'ble Member for Kunnamkulam did certainly refer to Parur para. I said I know nothing about it.

Mr. C. V. Iyyu *(Kunnamkulam):* As far as my information goes there is no standard para recognised officially in Cochin except the so called Taluk paras. But there are varieties of paras, such as Kokkala para, which is known popularly as the Trichur Taluk para which is a little bigger than the Talappilli Taluk para approved by the Government. It is an open secret. The Cochin-Kanayannur Taluk para is known also as Mattancheri para by the masses. I was under the impression that all these various paras in different Taluks are different in sizes. This can also be proved.

Mr. President: It is quite irrelevant to the question.

Mr. A. Madhava Prabhu *(Diwan Peishkar):* There are no two paras in the State. It is all one Mudra para throughout the State. If there is a different para that is not a para recognised by Government.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Vadakkancheri):* There is a para popularly known as Kokkala Mudra para. It is a popular expression by the person dealing in paddy which is higher than Talappilli Taluk Mudra para by one Edangazhi.

Mr. A. Madhava Prabhu *(Diwan Peishkar):* There are so many patta paras.

Mr. C. V. Iyyu *(Kunnamkulam):* It is issued by the Taluk Office.

Mr. A. Madhava Prabhu *(Diwan Peishkar):* It is not authorised by Government. We will have to make enquiries.

മിസ്റ്റർ സി. കെ. നായർ : നെന്മാറയിലെ പാറയെ സംബന്ധിച്ചു വല്ല വാദവുമുണ്ടായിരുന്നുവോ ?

മിസ്റ്റർ എ. മാധവപ്രഭു : ഉണ്ടായിരുന്നു.

മിസ്റ്റർ സി. കെ. നായർ : ശരിയായിട്ടുള്ള പാറയല്ല എന്നതല്ലേ വാദം ?

മിസ്റ്റർ എ. മാധവപ്രഭു : അതെ.

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മിസ്റ്റർ സി. കെ. നായർ: മുമ്പുണ്ടായിരുന്ന പാറയും ഇപ്പോഴുള്ള പാറയും തമ്മിൽ വ്യത്യാസമുണ്ടെന്നു് ആക്ഷേപമുണ്ടായിട്ടുണ്ടോ?

മിസ്റ്റർ എ. മാധവപ്രഭ: ഉണ്ടായിട്ടുണ്ടു്.

മിസ്റ്റർ സി. കെ. നായർ: അളന്നുനോക്കിയോ?

മിസ്റ്റർ എ. മാധവപ്രഭ: നോക്കി.

മിസ്റ്റർ സി. കെ. നായർ: എന്നിട്ടോ?

മിസ്റ്റർ എ. മാധവപ്രഭ: അതിന്റെ റിസൽട്ട് മുഴുവനായിട്ടില്ല.

I must make an investigation as to which is correct. We have got are Mudra para of 440 ounces.

മിസ്റ്റർ സി. കെ. നായർ: എല്ലാം മുദ്രവെച്ചതാണോ?

മിസ്റ്റർ എ. മാധവപ്രഭ: മുദ്രവെച്ചുതന്നെ.

I saw the paras. But the sealing was not correctly done by the Tahsildars. Therefore I took a bottle to the Maharaja's College Laboratory, I myself and the Professor of Chemistry measured 440 ounces of water and got the bottle marked. Then I sent my Personal Assistant to the Chittur Taluk and the investigation is over but I have not received his report.

മിസ്റ്റർ സി. കെ. നായർ: ചിറ്റൂർ താലൂക്കിലെ പറകൊണ്ടു് അളന്ന നെല്ലു് മുകുന്ദപുരം താലൂക്കിലെ പറകൊണ്ടു് അളന്നുനോക്കിയപ്പോൾ കുറവായിരുന്നു.

Mr. A. Madhava Prabhu *(Diwan Peishkar)*: That I do not know. This much I can say that very few paras agree. Even some of the paras sealed at the Taluk Offices do not agree. It is to avoid any future complaint that I have done all these.

മിസ്റ്റർ സി. കെ. നായർ: മുമ്പു് കൊച്ചിയിൽ ഒരു പറയേ ഉണ്ടായിരുന്നുള്ളുവോ?

Mr. A. Madhava Prabhu *(Diwan Peishkar)*: It ought to be so.

Mr. C. V. Iyyu *(Kunnamkulam)*: Then I request the Government to measure all the respective taluk paras throughout the State and fix a standard para for the whole State. All parahs exisiting everywhere in the State may be varified that it is of the same size.

Mr. V. J. Mathai *(Planters)*: What is the difference between the Travancore and the Cochin paras?

Mr. A. Madhava Prabhu *(Diwan Peishkar)*: I am not exactly sure. It is 461 ounces there and 440 ounces here, I speak subject to correction.

മിസ്റ്റർ വി. ജെ. മത്തായി: നാഴിയുടെ കണക്കു പറഞ്ഞാൽ കൊള്ളാം.

മിസ്റ്റർ എ. മാധവപ്രഭ: നമ്മുടെ പറ 10 ഔൺസാണു്. അവിടത്തെ പറ 10 ഫ ഔൺസാണു്, എന്നാണു് എന്റെ ഓർമ്മ.

Mr. V. J. Mathai *(Planters)*: What will be the difference in an Edangazhy?

Mr. A. Madhava Prabhu *(Diwan Peishkar)*: Our ten edangazhies is 440 ounces, and 461 ounces is their 10 edangazhies.

Mr. V. J. Mathai *(Planters)*: Could the Government go into the question of standardisation of weights and measures? In fact, it was the subject of a resolution here that the Government should see that all the other weights and measures are abolished except that prescribed by Government.

Mr. M. Sivarama Menon *(Advocate-General)*: That is under correspondence, because it is a central subject. There is an attempt to centralise all the weights and measures throughout India.

Mr. C. V. Iyyu *(Kunnamkulam)*: With your leave, Sir, may I ask another supplementary question? Sugar is not sold in the Fair Price shops under the Cochin Standard weight, but sold under the British pound weight, and the weight given in many of the Fair Price shops is not correct. Will the Hon'ble Member for Civil Supplies be pleased to enquire?

Mr. M. M. Paul *(Commissioner of Civil Supplies)*: Yes.

CASTE-WAR AND TALUK-WAR APPOINTMENTS—MAHARAJA'S COLLEGE

184. Mr. C. V. Iyyu *(Kunnamkulam)*: Will Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) the Caste-war and Taluk-war appointments made during the period beginning from 1113 to the 1st of Dhanu, 1118 in the Maharaja's College staff including that of the appointment of menials excluding those who were once attached to the College;

(*b*) the names of the posts;

(*c*) the grades of pay in each case?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction)*:

*(*a*), (*b*) and (*c*) Please see separate statement attached.

*See Appendix.

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